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## Kentucky chapter wins national award

International Public Management Association for Human Resources presents honors

**FRANKFORT, Ky.** (Oct. 22, 2014) – Kentucky's public managers have been recognized as leaders in the field of human resources. The International Public Management Association for Human Resources (IPMA-HR) presented Kentucky with the Chapter Award of Excellence at the Training Forum & Expo in Philadelphia.

The annual award recognizes those chapters that significantly advance and enhance the human resources profession through innovative membership recruitment/retention strategies, excellent educational programs and quality member communications.

The Kentucky chapter was recognized for the dedicated participation of its members, both new and long-term. Involvement locally and on national and international levels keep the chapter members informed of the ever-changing human resource environment, and allows the group to provide exceptional professional development and networking opportunities. Even with budgetary constraints, Kentucky remains determined to provide quality resources for little cost to its members. For these reasons and more, the chapter has been successful in increasing membership – doubling it in less than three years.

"I am so proud of the Kentucky Chapter of IPMA-HR and honored to call myself a member," said Amanda Coulter, Kentucky's current president. "The evolution of the Kentucky Chapter over the past several years is simply amazing. The participation has doubled. The professional developments are exceptional. The members are engaged. Kentucky has now been recognized as a premier IPMA-HR Chapter and I look forward to what the future will bring."

<u>IPMA-HR</u> is a public sector human resource organization which represents the interests of HR professionals, provides members with industry news, resources, education and professional development opportunities, and strives to promote excellence in HR management.

The organization was established in 1906 and is governed by an Executive Council. It consists of more than 40 chapters, located in four U.S. regions and abroad.

Image includes former and future chapter presidents (2007-2016). Front row from left: Dawn Williams (Personnel Cabinet), Larry Gillis (Personnel Cabinet), current President Amanda Coulter (Personnel Cabinet), Galen Linville (Labor Cabinet). Back row from left: Stan Salchli (Education Cabinet), Maurice Brown (Public Protection Cabinet), Singer Buchanan (Personnel Cabinet), President-elect Arthur Lucas (Personnel Cabinet), and Lynn Keeling Gillis (Labor Cabinet).